

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Martikainen

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For:

PROCESS FOR MAKING HIGH DENSITY AND LARGE PARTICLE

SIZE COBALT HYDROXIDE OR COBALT MIXED HYDROXIDES AND

A PRODUCT MADE BY THIS PROCESS

Examiner:

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on April 2, 2004. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced application in view of the arguments set forth below. Also enclosed is a petition for a one-month extension of time and the requisite fee, thereby extending the period to timely reply to August 2, 2004.

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